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W½	"	7,	"	11,	"	20	"
S½	"	3,	"	11,	"	21	"
W½	"	21,	"	11,	"	23	"
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All	8	17	22 "	640
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S½&N W¼	26	17	26 "	480
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Where-soe'er our steps may roam,
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Home is home, however lowly,
There is magic in the word;
Strife, avaunt the melancholy,
Whilst its comforts I record.
Woman dear my song approve,
To my aid Penates come!
Whilst I hymn with dulcious love,
Home, however homely, home.

Home is home, however lowly,
Peaceful pleasures there abide
Soothing thoughts and visions holy
Cluster round our own fireside.
Though the outer world be dark,
And its ocean lash'd with foam,
Safe within its sheltering ark,
All is calm and bright at home.

Home is home, however lowly;
Oh how sweet when storms are rife,
And our feet have struggled slowly
Through the tangled way of life,
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Be true; men can do no more.
Grit or Tory, it matters not
With which of these you've cast your lot
Give them your vote and by it stand;
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A VISIT TO SANTA CLAUS' SHOP.

A CHRISTMAS STORY.

It was nearly nine o'clock when Tommy and Rosy went to bed on Christmas eve. Their stockings had been hung up, and they wished very much for the next morning to come. Sally Ann was Rosy's dolly, and she wore stockings. One of them had to be hung up with the others.

In ten minutes Tommy and Rosy and the dolly were all fast asleep. In the middle of the night Tommy woke, and found Rosy sitting up in bed. She was looking at something. Tommy wanted to know what it was. He turned over, and what should he see but Santa Claus himself!

The dear old man was buttoned up to his chin in a coat of white fur. He was busy filling the white stockings.

"There!" said Santa Claus, "I've forgotten Rosy's doll, and I shall have to go all the way back and get something for it."

"I wish you'd take me with you," said Tommy, boldly.

"An' me, too, if you please, Mister Santa Claus," added Rosy.

"Halloo!" shouted Santa Claus. "you awake, youngsters?"

"Yes sir," answered Tommy, "and we want you to take us to ride in your sleigh."

"Well, well, well!" laughed the old man. "Santa Claus can't refuse the children anything; make haste, I've no time to lose."

Out of bed jumped the two children.

"Don't wait to dress," said Santa Claus. "I'll put one of you into each of my big pockets, and you'll be warm enough. Come on."

Out on the roof they went. There stood the sleigh, drawn by eight tiny reindeer. Santa Clause got into the sleigh and drew the fur robes over him. Tommy and Rosy peeping out of the pockets, felt very nice and warm.

"Come, Dasher! on Dancer! hie, Comet!" said Santa Claus to his team "Away we go."

And away they did go right through the air and through the falling snow-flakes. Over the tops of the houses and trees, over the towns and cities, faster, faster, faster, they went, till they came to Santa Claus' country.

Here everything was of snow—trees, streets, houses, all made of snow. It was as light as day, for high in the pink sky hung a great bright silver moon

"Is that your house, Mister Santa Claus?" asked little Rosy, as they passed a beautiful castle all built of ice.

"Oh, no, my dear!" said Santa Claus. "My house is made every bit of rock candy. Here we are now. Hie, Prancer and Cupid! stand still!"

Santy Claus jumped out of the sleigh with Tommy and Rosy still in his pockets. Sure enough, there stood Santa Claus' house, and made of white, red and yellow rock candy, and lighted up from top to bottom with Christmas tapers.

"I'll take you right into my workshop," said Santa Claus, bouncing into a room where hundreds of little men were at work. They were tying up toys, books, and candies into thousands of parcels. They were to go at twelve o'clock by Santa Claus' express to all parts of the world.

At the sight of so many lovely things Tommy and Rosy both jumped out of Santa Claus' pockets.

"Oh!" screamed the workers, "where did the earth-children come from?"

"I brought them in my pockets," said Santa Claus. "I forgot this little girl's doll. Hurry and find a gift for it, my men, for I must away again."

The tallest of the little men went to find the gift. Others gathered about Rosy, who was too frighted to speak.

"Isn't she lovely?" said one, touching her long curls.

"Yes, indeed," added another, "she is prettier than the prettiest wax doll we ever made."

"She must be cold; let's give her one of our little seal skin coats," said a third, helping Rosy into a warm fur coat.

"Let's put candy into the pockets," said a fourth, stuffing the pockets with sugar plums.

"Let's give her a cap to match the coat," said a fifth, putting a cunning cap over her yellow curls.

"Let's all kiss her," said a sixth.

But at this Santa Claus popped Rosy back into his pocket. "No, no," said he, "you might change her into an elf like yourselves."

Tommy, who was never frightened at anything, had mounted a bicycle, and was flying up and down the hall. The little men, forgetting their work, ran up and down after him, playing on trumpets, horns, fifes and drums.

"Bless my heart!" cried Santa Claus, "I never heard such a din in my life. Come, you youngster, the doll's gift is found, and I'm going to take you right back to bed."

"No, you don't," shouted Tommy, "not unless you let me ride this bicycle."

"You can't," said Rosy.

"I can," added Tommy, "I know I can."

"I'll go with you," said one of the little men; "I can ride in the air like Santa Claus."

The little man got on Tommy's back, and away they went! Rosy and Santa Claus were in the sleigh, Tommy and the little man on the bicycle. On, on, on! faster, faster, faster! Tommy shouted in glee. Suddenly the wicked little man bit Tommy's ear. He screamed, and knocked the elf off his back. The little man jumped on one of the reindeer.

Tommy was no longer able to ride on the snow-flakes, and began to fall—down, down, down; O, how frightened he was! The bicycle turned over two or three times, and down he went, head first into—bed.

Yes, when Tommy opened his eyes he found himself in bed.

He dreamed only this story. Rosy was asleep beside him. The stockings were twice as large as when hung up. Right in the middle of the room stood a splendid new bicycle.

The early sunshine was coming through the nursery window. It was Christmas morning.

A NOVEL MODE OF DEATH.

How a Man Loaded His Pistol with Water and Blew His Head off.

At the inquest held upon the body of Felix Evararts, a tailor, who killed himself at the Gassman House, 428 Broadway, San Francisco, the jury rendered a verdict of suicide. Joseph Lambairts, testified that the deceased was a married man, and at the time of his death was out of employment and very despondent over domestic troubles. One Sunday he told the witness that he was sending a telegram to his wife in New York, asking her to come to him, and that upon her answer depended his life. He wrote to his wife for money to take him back to New York, but the witness was certain he never received any. He had threatened his life three or four times.

A theory as to the direct agent of the suicide, and one which meets with general belief, is that Everarts loaded the pistol which he used with a heavy charge of water, the two charges being separated by a thick wad. To this powerful auxiliary only can the terrible mutilation of the suicide's head be ascribed. A better opinion of the force of water can be formed when it is stated that the entire crown of the man's skull was found fifty feet distant from the spot where he fell, and portions of the skull were never discovered. Beside, it was shown on examination at the morgue that the dead man's skull was a quarter of an inch thick. It is stated that Everarts has three grown daughters on the New York stage.

The Route Through the Rockies.

A correspondent of the Toronto Globe telegraphs that journal the substance of an interview with Major Rogers, of the C.P.R., as follows:—Major Rogers, of the Canada Pacific, says that he has been surveying in the Rocky Mountains and part of the Selkirks. No change has been made in the location recommended last year. The directness of the route, its shortness, and the fact that the altitude of the Pass is more than 1,000 feet lower than any other from the Kananaskis to the Howse Pass are its recommendations. On leaving the Rockies the route follows the valley of the Columbia for thirty miles, and then turns southerly along the Beaver for sixteen miles, thence westerly and south westerly for six or seven miles, to the east branch of the Illecille-waet, and following that river and the Eagle river to Shuswap lake. The pass discovered in the Selkirks is not more than 4,500 feet above the level of the sea, 1,000 feet below the Rockies. If crossed at this elevation no tunnelling will be necessary, if crossed at an altitude of 4,200 feet a 2½ mile tunnel will be necessary. Snow slides will be avoided by creating sheds that will enable the snow to pass over and across the track at different points. The cost of the work from the summit of the Rockies to the east end of the Shuswap Lakes, will be very heavy, except about 20 miles in the Rockies and 20 in the Selkirks. It is the shortest route across the continent. The distance across the head of the Columbia through the Selkirks is 65¼ miles, and through the gold range from the west crossing of the Columbia to the east end of Shuswap lake is about 45 miles. The road through this place can be completed in three years, as supplies can be delivered by steamer all along the Thompson River and Shuswap Lakes, and also by boat on the Western Columbia, which is navigable from Fort Colville, Washington territory, to the Pacific crossing. There are two parties working eastfrom the summit to Fort Calgarry, and the location from the summit to Fort Calgarry will be completed early in January.

The Outbreak of Glanders.

Attorney-General Sutherland, Mr. Acton Burrows Deputy-Minister of Agriculture and Statistics, and Mr. W. J. Hinman, V. S., Government Veterinary Inspector for the Province, appeared before His Honor Judge Dubuc, in chambers yesterday, in reference to the recent outbreak of glanders in the vicinity of Morris. An affidavit was read from Hubert Meiklejohn, of Morris, blacksmith, to the effect that George Stewart, Frederick Stewart, Charles Hennie, Jane Colley and Stephen Burwash have glandered horses in their possession. His Honor made an order under the provisions of the Diseases of Animal Act, empowering Mr. Hinman to proceed forthwith to make a thorough examination of the animals alleged to be diseased, also a diagnosis of the disease and report the result in writing within one week, with a detailed statement whether or not the disease of any will eventually prove fatal and whether or not it is infectious or contagious. Summonses were issued to the persons above named to appear before His Honor on the 29th inst., at 10 a. m., to show cause why the diseased animals should not be destroyed. Under instructions from the Department of Agriculture and Statistics, Mr. Hinman has left for Morris. If the cases prove to be glanders and the owners consent in writing to their horses being destroyed, he will have them shot, securely burned and the stables thoroughly disinfected, and in these cases it will not be necessary for the persons to appear before Judge Dubuc. But those who refuse to allow glandered horses to be destroyed will have to show cause on the 29th.—Free Press.

HURT HIS BACK.—While being inducted into the intricacies and peculiarities of the exciting sport of toboganing, we regret to learn that Mr. H. J. Munson, of the B. C., met with a serious mishap yesterday, while taking the long jump on the slide, and sprained his back and injured his ribs severely. He is now confined to his room, but, under the careful treatment of Dr. McDiarmid and the solacing influences of beef tea (home-made) he hopes soon to try it again, and master evry difficulty of the art.

A Civic Privilege.

It will be news to many that the lord mayor of London for the time being has a right to be the king's butler at the coronation. This right is very ancient, for Bohun's Privilegia Londini (Londini, 1723) contains a petition to Edward III., by the then lord mayor, Sir Richard de Bettonie, showing that he performed the office of butler at his majesty's coronation with 360 valets, all clothed in the same livery and each bearing in his hand a white silver cup, "as other mayors of London time out of mind used to do at the coronation of the kings your progenitors." The fee appendant to the service was a gold cup with a cover and a ewer of gold enamelled. The mayor and citizens of Oxford are bound by charter to come to London at the coronation to assist the lord mayor in serving at the feast.

In a recent performance at Savoy Theatre, London, the head-dress of a fairy shone with an electric star, the light being furnished by an accumulator carried upon the fairy's back. "It is dangerous," says the Echo, "to put on the robe of the prophet, but sooner or later, as an electric star can dwarf into insignificance and paltriness the grandest parure of diamonds that ever issued from a mine, some lady—probably American—will electrify and arouse the envy of her sisters by appearing at one of our theatres with a head-dress of such stars. Managers might admit such visitors free for illuminating purposes."

MR. WOODWORTH AT CARBERRY.

A Doubtful Victory.

A campaign meeting was held on Wednesday at Carberry in the interests of Mr. Woodworth, the Disallowance nominee for the county of Brandon. It is usual on such occasions to extend to the opposing candidate the courtesy of an invitation. On this occasion, however, the advocates of monopoly and disallowance thought it more convenient to have the field to themselves, so that inconvenient facts might not be brought to the attention of the audience. However it leaked out that there was to be a meeting, and when the audience assembled it was found that the meeting, though specially called by Mr. Woodworth in his own interest, and in his greatest stronghold, was pretty evenly divided. After the election of a chairman, Mr. Woodworth opened the proceedings of the evening by introducing himself as the Conservative nominee. He deprecated all agitation against disallowance or in favour of Provincial privileges, and took the ground that our rights and privileges could safely be left to the care of the Ottawa Government He stated that the C.P.R. charter was a boon to the country that he never could have made his home here had it not been for that charter, and that it would be ungrateful and unkind to attempt to in any way abrogate the rights which the C.P.R Co conceive themselves entitled to by virtue of that charter. He concluded by saying that he did not possess the skill necessary to enable him to express his views upon the questions of the day, but he hoped by continued practice to acquire some facility in that direction, after a time. Being unable to express his views at present he would leave his audience to gather the facts of the case and the nature of his position from the discussion which followed.

Mr. Daly followed. In a lengthy and flowery speech he pourtrayed the history of the C.P. Railway in the various stages of its inception and construction, dwelt upon the advantage derived from the railway by this province, and stated that the railway alone made the county of Brandon what it is to-day. He further referred to the solemn nature of the obligations entered into with the company, and appealed to the audience to know if they would sanction a violation of the charter. He closed by a lengthy impeachment of the characters of Messrs. Greenway and Glass, Q.C.

Mr. Spence being called upon declined to speak at any length.

Mr. A. M. Peterson then addressed the audience. He began by pointing out that the preceding speaker had violated all the canons of good taste by abusing a man in the person of Mr. Glass, who was absent, and who, moreover, had no one present to defend him. (Hear, hear.) The speaker had no doubt that if Mr. Glass were present he would effectually answer the aspersions cast upon him. However, Mr Glass and his character had nothing to do with the matter; the whole subject was irrelevant to the matter in hand. Mr. Peterson at once gained the sympathy of the audience, and in a spirited speech of an hour's duration, exposed the fallacies of the preceding speakers, showed clearly the position in which we stand, as a province, and the means whereby our privileges can be secured. He concluded by deprecating the persistent attempts that had been made to carry on the present contest on party lines, and called on those present to join hand in hand, regardless of party, and labor persistently until our provincial position should be assured.

Mr. McFaddyen then amused the audience with a lengthy harangue, interspersed with frequent personal reference to Mr Peterson which were greatly enjoyed by that gentleman, and by the audience generally.

Mr. Daly then replied. He took up Mr. Peterson's remarks, one after the other, and reiterated his former statements in reference to the points brought forward; he failed, however, to remove from the minds of the audience the impression that Mr. Peterson had pretty effectually demolished his position. He was followed by Mr. Clifford Sifton, who expressed some surprise at the attitude of the gentlemen who had called the meeting. He had expected to hear a discussion of some subjects which concerned the personal welfare of the electors of the county. Such had not been the case. Messrs. Woodworth and Daly had posed as the eulogists of the Conservative party and the C.P.R. charter. Both might be fine institutions but their indiscriminate praise had no connection with the issues before the people in this contest. The speaker referred to the poverty-stricken condition of the Provincial finances, and the impossibility of improving it except through the possession of public lands, and increased subsidy. He contrasted the low freight rates between St. Paul and New York under the influence of competition, and the excessive rates between here and St. Paul, and showed the influence of these rates on the price of grain. He concluded by denying the personal expressions cast upon the course of the sitting member for the county, and challenged those opposite to name a time and place when and where they would be able to prove their statements.

Mr. Daly replied to various points raised; the most notable point of his reply being that the C.P.R. are not responsible for the rates charged between Winnipeg and St. Paul.

The meeting broke up with three cheers for the Queen, three for Mr. Sifton, and three for Mr. Woodworth.

LETTERS FROM READERS

Brandon County, Manitoba, Dec. 17, 1882.

To the Rt. Hon. the Minister of the Interior, Ottawa.

Honble Sir,

The undersigned freeholders of Brandon county, beg to draw attention to the alarming increase of land disputes coupled with the certainty that the grossest perjury has been resorted to in many cases in order to lodge the necessary affidavits, with the result of unsettling all ideas of ordinary, peaceable law-abiding settlers, and of introducing topics, better suited to the western states of the Union, than to the Dominion of Canada, such as Vigilance Committees, tarring and feathering, and so forth. The reputation of the county suffers, and men contemplate without dismay the taking of the law into their own hands, a result as deplorable as it will be inevitable, should the present state of things continue. Claims and counter-claims are judged. not on the spot by persons familiar with the applicants and details, but at Ottawa or Winnipeg by officials who must be utterly unable to distinguish on the face of an affidavit if it was true or false, whether it might not be an instrument for attempting the cruellest wrong, and be ultimately a means of bringing the established Government and its laws into contempt and hatred in the locality where it originated. It will be conceded that examinations held as nearly as possible on the spot, where the attempting "land-jumper" would have personally to confront the original settler and his witnesses, and then and there prove his claim, would have a speedier and more accurate result generally speaking, than the same enquiry conducted by means of affidavits and correspondence between Winnipeg and here; particularly as it is well known how lax the oath of the affidavit is regarded, and how very seldom perjury can be prosecuted from the absence of a prosecutor in person.

Such, Honble. Sir, lead your subscribers to approach you with their humble petition:—

1st.—That in future all land disputes as to claims and entries may be settled by the local land-agent on the spot in the manner it may seem to him best, he to have the power to swear witnesses and to be bound in cases of apparent perjury to proceed against the offender as public prosecutor.

2nd.—The sum of $10 dollars for a Homestead entry, or $20 for a Homestead and Pre-emption, to be paid by everyone seeking to have an entry cancelled, and should he not succeed in such application to forfeit $5 thereof to the Government, and the remainder to be paid over to the original settler as some sort of compensation for the trouble and expense he has been put to in the matter.

3rd.—That no person shall be able to apply for the cancellation of more than one entry.

And your petitioners, as in duty bound will ever pray.

Here follow the names and residences.

To the Editor of THE BRANDON SUN.

Dear Sir,—In consequence of recent 'jumping' a number of [illegible] have got up the foregoing petition [illegible] has received a host of signatures [illegible] ford and Sourisburg. Every [illegible] it meets the requirements [illegible] and I request [illegible] the interest [illegible] public to comment upon the same, and permit the petition to appear in your columns, in the hope that perhaps in your city and elsewhere, similar petitions may be organized and then the result will be more satisfactory for all concerned than the present mode of proceeding either is or can be.

Pray, Mr. Editor, allow me to encourage your enthusiasm on this topic—write for us—protect us, and urge our claims, and oblige

Yours respectfully,
WILLM. G. KING,
Sourisburg.

To the Editor of the BRANDON SUN.

SIR,—I have this day received the rate for my half section of land amounting to $1,600, which does not cover the school rate. I read in the Government pamphlets before leaving England, that rates, etc., were very light in this country, but when I convert this amount into English currency at the present rate of exchange it gives me £3 6s 6d, as much as I would have to pay in England on an 150 acre farm, for local government, highway and lighting rates combined. When we contrast what we get in return for our money in the Old Country with what we get out here, I must say the tax payers in the former place get nine hundred per cent. more benefit out of their taxes. I think our municipal authorities should practice more economy, for they must be aware that it is as much as most settlers can do to exist, having to pay such high prices for machinery, farm stock and the necessities of life owing to protection and railway monopoly. When we consider the foregoing facts, together with the difference in the price of wheat at Brandon, Man., (60 cents per bushel, and say Minneapolis, Minn., U. S., 92 cents per bushel) I think no immigrant if in possession of the actual facts would for a moment think of crossing the U. S. boundary line, but would settle either in Minnesota or Dakota. With a view of advising my fellow-countrymen, who may be preparing to emigrate, I have by this week's mail forwarded to some of the leading papers at home my views in the matter after spending one year in Minnesota and two and a half years in Manitoba.

I am, Sir,
Yours obediently,
ENGLISH EMIGRANT.

Brandon, Dec. 15th, 1882.

A LARGE ELK.—Mr. Andrews, butcher, among other Chrismas cheer, had on exhibition a five hundred pound elk that had been shot in the Brandon Hills country, by Mr. C. Walkinshaw, the champion quoit tosser of the Dominion. Charlie is as much at home with the gun as with the quoit,

MONTREAL, Dec. 26.—The Allan steamship Moravian, which has been ashore at Mud Island, off Yarmouth, since last fall, has succumbed to the force of the elements and is now a hopeless wreck.

WINNIPEG, Dec. 26.—Former employees of the Globe who are now in the North-west intend to present Mr. Gordon Brown with a testimonial. A meeting was held here on Saturday to start the movement.

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BRANDON, MANITOBA, DEC. 28.

CLAIM-JUMPING.

We cannot resist the appeal of our Sourisburg friend, Mr. King, but we do not know what further the SUN can say or do towards stamping out that iniquitous practice known as claim-jumping. The memorial it is intended to submit to the Minister of the Interior by the settlers of the county, a copy of which we published on Saturday, should command the attention of all who are in any way responsible for the circumstances that make claim-jumping possible to the extent and in the manner practiced in this neighbourhood. Within the Brandon district there were 159 cancellations during the year just closing, out of a total of 271 applications. It is only fair to assume that a number of these were justifiable, that they were abandoned claims which it would be unreasonable to expect to remain unappropriated. But that they were all so is certainly not the case. From what we can gather the majority of them were obtained by dishonest pretences, and many industrious *bona fide* settlers were wronged in consequence. It would be better if fifty claims were abandoned and left lying unimproved, than that one honest settler should be cheated out of his homestead by unscrupulous practices.

The request that all cases of dispute should be settled by the local agent, who must be taken as best fitted to arbitrate in the matter, seems a reasonable one. A strong argument in favor of its being granted is the consideration that it would establish a local court to which the settler could appeal and submit such evidence as he has in support of his claim. He would not be obliged to look on helplessly, as is too often the case under existing regulations, on account of the expense. We would like to know that the memorial was largely signed. The whole question is one of the deepest interest to settlers, and there need be no difficulty in presenting a remonstrance so numerously signed that it could not fail to be listened to.

WHAT MIGHT BE.

It may seem a profitless task to discuss a question of this kind. At the same time it may not prove uninteresting to consider what might be accomplished for the benefit of settlers in this district and for the city of Brandon, if we were only permitted to take into our own hands the work of building a short and cheap branch line of railway.

At the Club dinner, a few nights ago, Mr. Bannatyne, of Souris City, in the course of a very interesting and sensible speech, gave some figures in connection with the proposed railway which deserve to be recorded. In his neighborhood there lives a family of four brothers, the Messrs. Elliott, who raised large crops of wheat last season. To haul the product of the four farms to the Brandon market, the only one they have, would require a team a day the whole year round. The cost of this hauling, added to the difference in price between their local sales and what would be obtained here, would pay one-fourth of the entire bonus required from the county for the proposed rail... The amount of that bonus would ...ut $150,000. In four years the ... Elliott's teaming and the extra ...or their grain would pay every ...t of this enormous sum.

In the same settlement are scores of farmers who raise more or less grain, and for the sale of which Brandon offers the only market in which living prices can be obtained. Under the General Railway, or the Tramway Act of the Manitoba Legislature, there is every reason to believe that by this time a company would have been organized and work begun on a line of railway between that district and Brandon, if there had been no disallowance by the Dominion Government. So we see it is not only what might be under certain circumstances, but what might have been.

In the course of a few days Mr. Woodworth will probably visit the settlers of the Souris district, and will tell them that he is a staunch Conservative, a life-long supporter of Sir John A. Macdonald, and a believer in the policy of disallowance. If he do not tell them these things he will either utter an untruth or repudiate his address to the electors. Afterwards he will ask them to give their votes to elect him a member of the Legislature, that he may join other staunch Conservatives in assuring Sir John that the people of Manitoba are quite satisfied with the railway facilities they already enjoy, and that all this talk about disallowance is only so much bunkum. We ask permission to correct ourselves. Mr. Woodworth will not tell the settlers anything for he can't; but he has hired a man to travel around with him to say these things, hoping that if elected he can manage the other part of it himself. Viewed in its most favorable light, the spectacle of Mr. Woodworth seeking election at the hands of these men, with that precious address in his mouth, is an insult to their intelligence and self-respect.

INDEMNIFYING THE C. P. R.

Prof. Goldwin Smith is reported as saying in the January number of the Bystander, which has not yet been published, that if the C. P. R. "company gives up its restrictions in compliance with the protest of Manitoba it will have a right to a full indemnity at the hands of the Dominion." This escape out of the difficulty was suggested some time ago in newspapers published both in Manitoba and Ontario. It takes for granted that the company has monopoly rights in this province. A number of other writers, as well informed on Dominion matters and as capable of interpreting the provision of a statute as the learned and accomplished Professor, maintain that the terms of the charter do not give to the Syndicate the exclusive power of building railways in the province of Manitoba. They hold that the "monopoly clause" was not to apply here in the sense that local lines were to be prohibited unless built to suit the views and designs of the C. P. R. Company. To give them this privilege it would have been necessary to deprive Manitoba of rights conferred upon her by the constitution, to reduce her to a level below that of the other provinces. We cannot find anywhere in the charter that this was done, and we know that the Premier of the Dominion Government, at the time the charter was ratified, distinctly disavowed any intention of doing so. The 'restriction' was applied to the unorganized territories to the west of us, but not to Manitoba.

But assuming that this province is covered by the "monopoly clause," compensation for its surrender will raise a question which we will find surrounded with innumerable and insurmountable difficulties. Who is to pay the indemnity? If possessed of monopoly rights the Syndicate cannot be expected to give them up without compensation of some kind. Permission to abandon the Lake Superior section would not meet the difficulty, for we have high Syndicate authority for the statement that that section will be built on its own merits, and as a necessary and valuable portion of the road. If a money indemnity, who is to pay it? The "monopoly clause" is professedly in the interest of the eastern provinces; it is their guarantee that the trade of the north-west shall be confined to our own territory. Are they to be asked to pay a large money indemnity for a breach of contract by which they claim they will be heavy losers? This would be a piling of injury upon injury.

However, it will perhaps be best to first ascertain if the Syndicate have rights the yielding of which will entitle them to anything in the way of compensation. An important and necessary step towards this end will be the return of a Provincial Legislature resolved to stand by our rights, and to resist every attempt to deprive us of that freedom of action secured by the constitution.

DISALLOWANCE.

There is no doubt that Mr. Woodworth is a high authority on all constitutional questions, and when he says that Sir John A. Macdonald can do pretty much as he pleases with Manitoba legislation, whether we like it or not, he is a bold man who would presume to contradict him. With all due "reference" for the Winnipeg Times and other disallowance apologists, we feel impelled to give Mr. Woodworth credit for possessing the greatest amount of knowledge on all matters bearing on the question in dispute between the province and the Dominion Government. We ventured some time ago—it was before Mr. Woodworth's address appeared—to express an opinion on the fifteenth clause of the Pacific Railway charter, contending in effect that it did not deprive, nor was it intended to deprive, the Legislature of Manitoba of the right to charter local lines of railway anywhere within the province. It is true, Mr. Woodworth takes an opposite view of the matter, and we would scarcely be rash enough to again advance our opinion if we did not find it supported by so respectable an authority as the Premier of Ontario.

In the debate on the Address in the Legislature of our sister—might we not say mother?—province, Mr. Mowat discussed at length the constitutional aspect of the question of disallowance, having reference particularly to the Rivers and Streams Bill. In the course of his speech he alluded to the trouble in Manitoba in these words, and we commend them not only to Mr. Woodworth, but to our friends of the press in Winnipeg:

"The Dominion Government was dealing in precisely the same way with Manitoba. (Hear, hear.) That province was filled with enterprising people, and they were all proud of its progress. For its further development it was anxious to obtain better railway facilities and Acts were passed with that view. Those Acts were disallowed by the Dominion Government. They all knew the pretence on which that was done. (Hear, hear.) It was pretended that the contract with the Canada Pacific railway required the disallowance; that the Acts would be a contravention of the contract. Now there was not a word of truth in that. (Cheers.) The contention was based on clause 15 of the contract, which he held in his hand. It read:

'For twenty years from the date hereof no line of railway shall be authorized by the Dominion Government to be constructed south of the Canada Pacific railway,' and so on.

What was forbidden by that was that no line of railway should be allowed by charter of the Dominion Government for twenty years, but the legislation of Manitoba did not require the authority of the Dominion Parliament. (Hear, hear.) In introducing that Bill, Sir John Macdonald said:

'We have provided that the Dominion Parliament—mind you, the Dominion Parliament — we cannot checkmate another Parliament, we cannot check Ontario, we cannot check Manitoba, but we have provided that the Dominion Parliament for the first ten years after the construction of the road shall not establish another line of railway.'

Yet Sir John Macdonald was showing that he cared nothing for the will of the people, nothing for the demands or prosperity of Manitoba. It was because he found the Dominion Government advocating this extremely centralising policy, holding in check the legislation of the provinces, that he thought it essential for the whole people they should take a firm stand on the Streams Act. The pernicious principle would, if not opposed, be extended to other provinces and defended so long as the Conservative party retained power. (Hear, hear.) If the Dominion Government had the right to disallow these Railway Acts of Manitoba, then they had the same right to disallow any Railway Act of the province of Ontario. (Cheers.)"

THE WARDENSHIP.

It would be impossible to gather from the speeches made at the nominations that there was any question of policy on which the people are to pronounce in the coming election of a Warden. It is purely a matter of personal preference, or personal opinion of the fitness of the respective candidates. The three gentlemen who are offering themselves do so because, in the first place, they want the position, and, in the second place, because each thinks he is better fitted to perform the duties. Mr. Roddick has been a year in office. Experience usually counts for something, but it is possible to have a great deal of experience without either ability or aptitude. Mr. Clegg is relying upon a municipal reputation earned somewhere in the east. It may be a most valuable one, and the electors here can only judge of it in the light of that gentleman's personal character. Mr. Scott has been a councillor and would like to be Warden. His individual wishes in the matter may not be the best recommendation in the world, but he stands on quite as high ground as either of the other candidates. So far as we can see it would have been a great saving of time and trouble, and no sacrifice of any material interest, if the returning officer had flipped a penny and thus decided the contest by the simple process of head or tail.

We desire to inform Mr. Roddick that the letter announcing his candidature appeared in the SUN, his assertion to the contrary notwithstanding.

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Lang, an Xmas box in shape of an old shoe in earthenware; ... T. D. Mc Lean, a hand satchel; ... a beautiful book; ... a ... handkerchief; ... 'grandpa and grandma.' Santa Claus was then the recipient of a gift himself, and disappeared as mysteriously as he came. Towards the close ... G. B. Angus recited with effect, "The little busy bee, with variations." ... Ferries acted as chairman throughout. The concert was a decided success, and as wistfully as any we look forward to the 'Xmas tree of 1883.

As the North Shore has been purchased by the Grand Trunk, the C.P.R. Co. have to look for some other outlet to the Atlantic coast. It is thought now that they will build a line of their own through the State of Maine. It is treason in Manitobans even to squint in the direction of the international boundary but if Syndicate interests require it the great national route, built by Canadians for Canadians, may be diverted into the United States, and its eastern terminus established in a foreign country. Against this our excellent contemporary the Winnipeg Times, has not a word of protest.

At the municipal nominations yesterday the statement was made that this county had received from the Local Government during the year about three times the amount that could fairly be claimed. The money was received to aid our local improvements. It making the statement it was sought to create the impression that it was obtained through the influence of the county council. A gentleman present, wondering at this, was curious enough to enquire of what use a member was if this duty had to be looked after by the councillors themselves. Mr. Sifton, who was present, explained the matter, and proved very conclusively that it was owing to his individual exertions that so liberal an appropriation had been secured. He produced as a witness one of the aspirants for the wardenship, and an active supporter of the Disallowance-Conservative candidate, Mr. Woodworth. There is a good deal of use in having a member if he is of the right stamp, and we are so satisfied with Mr. Sifton for that position that we intend to send him back again.

TELEGRAPHIC NOTES

WINNIPEG, Dec. 27.—A ministerial association has been formed in this city.

EMERSON, Dec. 27.—A telegram has been received from Mayor Carney stating that he will meet Mr. Van Horne, general manager of the C.P.R., at Ottawa on Saturday next to decide on the definite location of bridge and road through the town.

OTTAWA, Dec. 26.—An order in council has been passed declaring that persons possessed of grazing lands in the North-west Territories prior to the 1st day of January, 1883, shall, up to that date, be entitled to import horses, sheep and cattle, for the purpose of stocking, free of all duty, but subject always to the restriction named in the schedule as to the sale or disposal of such live stock within the time therein named.

WINNIPEG, Dec 27.—It is expected that the C.P.R. track will be laid to the end of the grading, a point eight miles beyond Maple Creek, by the middle of January. From thence to the Saskatchewan, a distance of about ninety miles, grading has been done in patches. The soil in the neighborhood of Maple Creek is well spoken of, and at Indian Farm, twenty miles from there, very good crops have been raised.

CAIRO, Dec 26.—Arabi and his confederates, who were banished to Ceylon, were accompanied to Suez by Mr. Napier, one of the counsel who defended them. Emir Bey, El Shenesy and eleven others will be placed under heavy bail for the faithful observance of this injunction. Hassan Moussa, El Akid and Ali Raub will be banished to Massawah for twenty years. Three others will be banished to Suakim or Kossir for shorter terms, and twenty others will also be banished.

WINNIPEG, Dec. 27.—President Hill, of the St. Paul, Minneapolis & Manitoba railway, says that the report from Montreal to the effect that he had retired from the directorate of the Canada Pacific is not true. Hon. Donald A. Smith, who was said to have taken his place, and himself were two of the directors on the original organization; and as he had not resigned Mr. Smith had not taken his place.

OTTAWA, Dec. 27.—It is understood that the Dominion Government intend making alterations in the orders regulating the coal fields of the North-west, which will emancipate the miners from the control of the Crown by transferring the land in fee simple to purchasers. Certain districts will be declared to be coal districts, and as such will be withdrawn from settlement or sale as agricultural lands. The districts so set apart for the present will be those situated on the Souris, Bow, Billy and Saskatchewan rivers, and will not be of very large extent in the first place, but can be increased at a later date if it should be considered advisable. These lands will be offered to the public in small parcels for sale out and out to the highest bidder. It is not yet decided whether the sale will be by auction or by tender, but either system seems to offer the greatest security against the formation of rings. The lands in these districts have not yet been surveyed. That on the Souris district will in all likelihood be offered first, as soon as the details are obtained by the surveys, and other districts will be put in the market as soon as they have been surveyed.

To the Editor of THE BRANDON SUN:

Dear Sir,—In reply to Claim Jumping, in your issue of Dec. 14th, you stated a man named Vary got among the Philistines of Milford (cowardly Philistines), for they waited till Vary went to bed which was about 9.30 o'clock in the evening of the night in question, and Vary knew nothing of the narrow escape until he was about to leave Milford next morning. Now when Vary made his appearance, about 6.15 o'clock, all the people of ilford was aware of his arrival, and strange to say they should wait till so late in the evening to carry out their design.

The landlord did not stand in the door as stated; all that applied for admittance was admitted without any parleying. The incensed settlers (one in number) was not hard to pacify, as he jumped the claim he feels so aggrieved about at losing. Now I will neither stand an insult or an assault from the incensed settler in question, as I have not overreached the bounds of the law, but the incensed settlers around ilford will find lodgings in the Brandon lockup, and be bound to keep the peace, in case of further threats.

WILSON VARY.

Dec. 19th, 1882.

Twenty-third Meeting of Council

The Council met at the offices of Messrs. Poudrier and Brownlee on Friday, Dec. 15. The Warden in the chair. All the members present. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted.

Communications were read from A. W. Austin and Ross, Killam and Haggart, in reference to debentures.

From Merchant's Bank, notifying of note due.

From Wm. White in reference to contracts to be signed.

From F. G. A. Henderson (opinion) respecting the liability of the municipality of the county to transfer to the municipality recently formed by the townships separated from the old municipality a proportion of the property and assets belonging to the old municipality.

Tenders were read from Wm White for building a pile bridge on the Minnedosa trail.

From Hugh Gillespie for building a bridge across North Boggy Creek between sec 10 and 11, tp 12, range 16, w.

From J. M. Croteau for building pile bridge between sec. 10 and 11. tp 12, range 16, w.

The committee appointed to consider offers of sites for county buildings, reported progress and asked for an extension of time until next meeting of council.—Report adopted.

A report was read from Councillor Harrison who was appointed to inspect and report on the work performed at Spring Brook bridge.—Report adopted.

Also a report from the county engineers of an examination of the bridge at the mouth of the Little Souris, corner of section 17, 18, 19 and 20, tp 9, range 17, w.—Report received

The name of Francis Kinley was substituted for that of Richard. Kinley in the contract of building a bridge over Black Creek.

The time was extended to the 21st of Dec. for signing all contracts let for bridges.

The time for receiving the collectors returns was extended until the next meeting of Council.

The time for completing the woodwork on Black Creek bridge was made the 1st March, 1883, and the earth work to be completed by the 1st day of June, 1883.

Capt. Mellon was heard regarding the collecting of statute labour in his district when no pathmasters had been appointed, and the people were willing to perform their work.

An order was drawn on the treasurer for the following sums in favour of the the treasurers of the respective school districts, viz.,

Souris City School district	.	$500
Brandon Hills	,, .	100
Elton	,, .	200
Clinton	,, .	200

The Council went into a committee of the whole for the second reading of by-law No. 49, for the purpose of re-arranging the boundaries of the several wards of the municipality.

The by-law was read a third time and passed.

Ward No. 1 comprises towdships 7 and 8 in ranges 17, 18, and 19.

Ward No. 2, townships 9 and 10, ranges 17, 18 and 19.

Ward No. 3, townships 9 and 10, ranges 20, 21 and 22.

Ward No. 4, townships 11 and 12, ranges 20, 21 and 22.

Ward No. 5, townships 11 and 12, ranges 17, 18 and 19.

The tender of Hugh Gillespie was accepted for the construction of a pile bridge across Boggy Creek on road allowance between sections 10 and 11, tp 12. range 16, w., provided that the municipality of Norfolk will pay the sum of nine hundred dollars towards the construction of said bridge. Councillor Hetherington was appointed to call on the Norfolk Council and explain the matter to them and report at the next meeting of Council.

Mr. Harrison introduced by law No. 50, to appoint polling places and deputy returning officers for the different wards in the municipality for holding the elections for Warden and Councillors for the year 1883.

The by-law was read a third time and passed.

Mr. Harrison introduced by-law No. 51, to define the number of Councillors to represent each ward in the municipality of Brandon.

The by-law was read a third time and passed.

Ward No. 1, was defined by by-law No. 49, shall be entitled to elect two Councillors and each of the remaining four wards shall be entitled to elect one Councillor.

Accounts were referred to Finance Committee, and the following were ordered to be paid.

Ebenezer Donaldson, contract for building bridge and furnishing timber on south-west corner of section 36 on road allowance, $95.00.

Jas. Thornber for grading Spring Brook bridge, $25 00.

Robt. Weatherill assisting clerk in making out collector's rolls, $48.00.

The Manager of the Merchant's Bank Brandon, was instructed to transfer the accounts of the respective collectors for the municipality to the treasurer's account.

The Council adjourned to meet on Friday, Dec. 29. at 2 o'clock p.m., at the office of Messrs. Poudrier and Brownlee.

The warden called a special meeting on Saturday, Dec. 16, for the purpose of passing certain by-laws.

Present, Messrs. Harrison, Scott, Evans, and Taylor.

Mr. Harrison introduced a by-law, No. 52, to define the collection of statute labour, where no pathmasters had been appointed, which gave the ratepayers no opportunity to perform statute labour.

The by-law was read a third time and passed.

Mr. Harrison introduced by-law No. 53, to relieve ratepayers in the municipality, who have performed their statute labour for the year 1882, from paying taxes on statute labour account.

The by-law was read a third time and passed.

A resolution was read, passed in Council of the municipality of Cypress in reference to the state of Finance in respect to range 16.

The Clerk was instructed to notify the clerk of the municipality of Norfolk that all taxes levied in range 16 w. tp 7, 8, and 9, for the year 1882, have either been expended in the same or contracts let to cover the full amount.

Council adjourned.

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MR. Charles A. Walkinshaw, of Brandon, writes to the sporting editor of the Toronto Mail to the following effect: "Having seen in your paper that Mr. James Dobson, of Walkerville, is desirous of meeting the champion quoit-pitcher of Scotland, or any other man, to keep him interested in playing in Canada, I will play him in July, 1883, for five hundred or a thousand dollars a side, take or give expenses. And to show that I mean business, I have deposited one hundred dollars as a forfeit in the hands of Mr. T. M. Daly, Mayor of Brandon."

To the Electors

OF THE

ELECTORAL DIVISION

OF

BRANDON

GENTLEMEN,—

Having accepted the nomination of the Conservative Convention for the electoral division of Brandon, though reluctant to enter public life, yet desirous of serving my country and my party, I am now before you as a candidate to represent your suffrages in the next Parliament of the Province of Manitoba.

It is almost unnecessary for me to say that I am a life-long Conservative, and a staunch supporter of Sir John A. Macdonald and his Government. I believe it is to the best interests of this province *that we should continue to co-operate with those who have made us and our country what we are to-day, namely,* THE GREAT CONSERVATIVE PARTY OF THE DOMINION, thereby promoting British interests in Canada and the continued development and advancement of the great Canadian North-west.

I hold that it is the duty of our party to adopt every constitutional means within our reach to procure for this Province every right of self Government and other advantages enjoyed by the other Provinces of the Dominion under the British North America Act. I deprecate the action of those who are endeavoring to stir up a spirit of discontent amongst our people by raisin false issues, thereby attempting to secure the reins of Government at the expense of our country's welfare.

I am of opinion that the rights of Manitoba can be better secured and maintained by the return to Parliament of men like myself who are in accord with the Central Government, and who have no motives in being elected other than to serve, to the best of their ability, as I pledge myself to do, their constituents and their country.

If elected, I will advocate the strictest economy, consistent with efficiency, in the public expenditure, and, at all times, you will find me ready to advance the interests of the large and influential electoral Division of Brandon, in which, as most of you are aware, I have large landed and pecuniary interests.

I hope, before the day of election, to make a personal canvass throughout the Division and hold meetings, at which I will more fully express my views upon the several questions now being agitated before the people.

I remain, gentlemen,
Your obedient servant,
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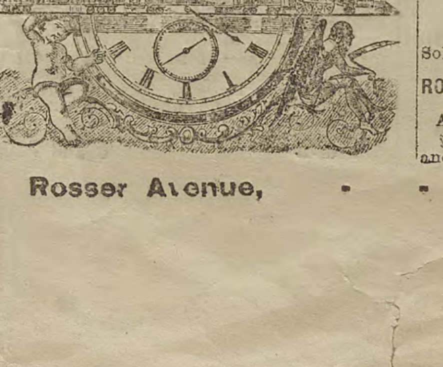

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THE BRANDON SUN.

BRANDON, MAN., DEC. 28,

SITUATION WANTED.—As bookkeeper or copying clerk. Apply to T. J. P., Sun office.

A LARGE pestle and mortar has been mounted in front of Messrs. Leask & Rose's store, near 12th street.

THE meeting of the Snow Shoe Club appointed for Saturday last has been adjourned to a future date, owing to want of a quorum.

THREE broken toboggans, heaped together in the vicinity of the Club steps this morning, are the dumb intelligencers of events it would be cruel to chronicle here.

MR. GEO. V. FRASER has returned from the east. He was unable to get a partner of joys and sorrows, but has got a fine horse, which he is anxious to loan to all his friends.

A TOBOGGANING party sallied out this afternoon in high spirits. One of them was higher than the other, though, as he was astride one of the team.

At the nominations for municipal officers yesterday Mr. Matheson proposed two candidates for the same ward, No. 3, thereby preventing both from running. The third candidate, Mr. C. W. Low, will have a walk-over.

SAFE REMOVED.—The safe purchased by the Council from Manning & Co. was to-day removed to the Council Chamber. Everything went well till they got it to the top of the stairs, when the tackling broke, the safe taking the stairs at a bound and reducing them to kindling wood.

A FLYING VISIT.—Capt. Gould, of the Second Dragoon Guards of London, Eng., and Capt. Phillip, of the Sixth arrived in the city yesterday and were the guests at the Club. They left by to-day's train for the east, having made the trip from the Old Country during their leave of absence, for the purpose of seeing the far-famed Brandon. They left with a decidedly high impression of our young city.

RUNAWAY.—While a team belonging to a Mr. Morrison, was standing in front of the Beaubier House this afternoon, a drunk man passing, concluded to try their running powers. He was just bringing them into a 2.40 gait, when they collided with a lumber pile. The horses kept on, but the man stopped there to watch the sleigh. He is going to enter an action against the lumber pile for false arrest.

FROZEN-UP ONTARIO.—Letters from Ontario state that the railroads are snowed up, the beautiful, in many instances covering the ground to a depth of three feet, and two men have been frozen to death near Beeton. It is not necessary to remark here that the C. P. R. has not been delayed one hour during the season by the snow, there not being an average depth of more than ten or twelve inches.

TOBOGGANING PARTY.—Last evening a party of ladies and gentlemen, in which Messrs. Jukes and Torrance were the prime movers, crossed to the hill slope over the 18th street bridge on a tobogganing expedition. They had four toboggans along and had splendid sport. Several times they were almost submerged in the snow, but that only livened the sport. On the way home they called at the Mayor's residence and were partakers of his hospitality.

CONTRACTOR MATHIESON reports that we have this winter experienced colder weather than at any time during last season, as he has lost over a hundred bushels of potatoes by frost in a cellar that last year proved frost proof. He was holding them over till he could realize a dollar a bushel. Will has the sympathy of the public in his loss.

FOR MANITOBA.—Ashton F. Andrews, of Milford, Manitoba, who has been on a visit to his friends here, purposes to return to the prairie province on the 28th. He takes a large number of horses farm implements, etc., with him from Ontario. J. G. Sturgeon and wife purpose to accompany him and will go into business near Millford.—Kincardine Reporter.

THE ELTON SOCIAL.—A most interesting social was given in the Elton School house last evening under the auspices of the Methodist Church. The Rev. T. Lawson presided. Interesting addresses were delivered by Messrs. Bousfield, Swallow, Cooper of Elton and Mr. Hodson of Chater. Miss McVittie gave a most spirited reading, as also did Miss Muir. The efficient choir of the church took charge of the musical part of the programme. A novel feature of the entertainment was a gigantic spelling match, and it is scarcely necessary to say there was some gigantic spelling. The national anthem terminated one of the most successful socials ever held in the settlement.

CHURCH EXTENSION.—The committee appointed by the trustee board of the C. M. church in this city to consider and report upon the best means of enlarging the church reported last evening. The plans and specifications submitted increased the seating capacity by only about 250. A number of the board present deemed this insufficient and the committee were requested to take the matter into further consideration to meet the apparent demand. The congregation in this church has been latterly increasing very rapidly, and the church officials feel that they can no longer hesitate about the enlargement of the church. It is probable the improvements will cost in the neighborhood of $2,500.

Church of England Entertainment.

The concert last evening in the Government buildings was a decided success, and the music-loving portion of Brandon had an excellent opportunity of gratifying their tastes in that direction. The object of the concert was a worthy one, to aid the building fund of the English church at Rounthwaite. While the large part of the programme was filled by the visitors from Rounthwaite, yet we were pleased to hear again some of our home talent who contributed. The programme opened by a pianoforte solo by Mr. Taylor, followed by the choir in "O Never Fear Tho' Rain be Falling." Of the many excellent selections by the choir "The Dawn o Day" and "The Cruiskeen Lawn" were best received, the former, perhaps, eliciting most praise. In "The Tempest" Rev. Mr. Boydell received a very hearty encore. Rev. Mr. Rounthwaite, too, in "The Distant Shore" received the hearty plaudits of the audience. Mr. Kelland sang in very good voice "Fair Dove."

The lady soloists, Misses Whitehead and Bangs, the former in "The Cows are in the Corn," and the latter in "Drifting With the Tide," were well received. Miss Hunt, in her pianoforte solo, Mr. Purvis, in his readidg, and Messrs. S. Rounthwaite, Rowe and Walker, as soloists, contributed very materially to the evening's enjoyment. While entertainment was provided for our æsthetic tastes, we should not forget to add that, through the liberality of Capt. Granville, a more substantial treat, in the shape of lunch, was also provided for any who wished to partake. Capt. Granville certainly deserves the hearty thanks of all who partook of his hospitality. In all, the evening proved most enjoyable, and we hope that this, the first concert of the holiday season, may have many in its wake.

OUR FRIENDS FROM THE COUNTRY.

Christmas at Chater.

A very pleasant time was spent by the inhabitants of this lively little place on the holiday, consisting of horse races, pony races, foot races, and other amusing sports.

A trotting race between A. McDonald's Kitty and Nellie, driven by John Dickson and John Crawford, sr., the former winning by two seconds. Next came a running match for ponies, with the following results:—

Charley, ridden by Jas Crawford, 1st prize;
Night Mare, " H. McNulty, 2nd do
Flying Dutchman, Peter Dickson 3rd do
Black Lizzard Bert Low, 4th do
Kattie Betty, J. Millar, ruled out.

Next came a foot race between John Crawford, sr., and Archibald McDonald. The betting on this race was two to one on the former, who won without any apparent exertion; leaving his opponent far behind.

Next a foot race for boys, distance 100 yards and so evenly were they matched that they came in almost abreast, the judges, however declaring James Crawford, 1st prize; Hugh McNulty 2nd prize; Peter Dickson, 3rd prize.

Next a blindfold race between John Crawford, sr., and A. McDonald, which resulted in a sprained ankle for the former and a much-abused wheel-barrow for the latter. Owing to the damage already sustained, it was unanimously decided to postpone the above race until next Christmas.

The last and most amusing of the sports was the riding of a pony backwards by A. McDonald and John Crawford, Jr. The steeds were led into the arena by the contestants, who, amidst the cheers of spectators, fearlessly mounted their respective chargers. Upon the word, go, they went—John Crawford, Jr., into a pile of cordwood; his opponent, however, hung on a little better, but was finally extricated from a snow drift, into which he ungracefully sat down had first.

The assembled multitude decided that what slight casualties had occurred were fully compensated for by the merriment they had produced, and, as the day was drawing to a close, it was thought better to postpone further amusement for one week. Thus closed the first Christmas for Chater.

A skating carnival will be held New Year's day at the above named place.

EUREKA.

ON THE WAR PATH.—Major Tomson, better known as the "Old Political War Horse of Huron," made a halt at this place *en route* to Souris (Plum Creek) in the interests of Hon. John Sifton. Knowing the Major of old, and judging from the gallant bearing and the merry twinkle of his eye, we conclude Mr. Sifton's election is sure. So say we all.

PARLIAMENTARY.—The Hon. John Sifton will receive the unanimous vote in this locality, his platform is the one for Manitoba; both Grits and Tories seem to be banded together in one common cause, to stand by and uphold Provincial Rights, and suppress Railway Monopolies. Mr. Sifton's course in the House gives unmistakeable evidence that he stands firm to his former pledge, and now the electors have no hesitation in predicting his future career. Mr. J. E. Woodworth is simply spoken of as a gentleman of very nice appearance, but the cause of disallowance which he has espoused is not at all popular in the Prairie Province, and unless Mr. Woodworth wishes to sink forever politically, he must cease to follow the Premier Norquay, who, after the 24th of January, 1883, will be counted among the men of the past.

ECCLESIASTICAL.—The erection of a Presbyterian church at Eureka is spoken of with favour among the residents and those in the vicinity. Rev. Mr. Stewart who has been sent as a missionary from Kincardine, Ontario, is using his most zealous efforts in the cause.

POSTAL.—J. M. Hunter, the post master elect informs us that he has received intelligence from Mr. McLeod, the Post Office Inspector of this province, that an office will shortly be authorized at Eureka, which will prove a great acquisition to the place,

INDUSTRIES.—Mr. Jas. Thompson, of Walkerton, is negotiating to start a blacksmith shop at Eureka. He bears the reputation of being a first-class workman, and will inevitably build up a lucrative trade.

GONE EAST.—Samuel Sieffert and Evan Cuthbert, of this place, have just gone to Winnipeg for the winter. No doubt they expect a boom in the real estate early in January. When that comes you will find the boys on deck.

MUNICIPAL.—The formation of the new county necessitates a new Council. and as far as we can learn Mr. Sowden will be elected Warden by acclamation. Mr. Sowden is a man not only of ability, but also of thirty years' experience in municipal matters. A better selection could not be made, and electing him by acclamation will speak for the intelligence of the people. For ward No. 1 the councillors mentioned are: J. M. Hunter, Thos. Caveth, Simon Vanbusker and Wm. Leiston. Ward No. 2—William Barnes, Henry Cook, John Woods and Mr Jamieson. Ward No. 3 seems to have no candidates as yet. From the amount of ability in the field there is sufficient material to make a good council.

BRANDON COUNTY.

Nomination of Municipal Candidates.

The county clerk, Mr. Weatherill, attended at Grand Valley this morning to receive nominations for Warden and Councillors serve for to the coming year. There was a good attendance. The schoolhouse being comfortably filled by interested taxpayers.

THE WARDENSHIP.

Nominations for the Wardenship were first called for, when the following gentlemen were proposed:—

George Roddick — Proposed by Mr. H. Lamont, seconded by Mr. E. W. Low.

F. Clegg—Proposed by Mr. Charles Whitehead, seconded by Mr. D. J. Black.

Wm. Scott—Proposed by Mr. T. Harrison, seconded by Mr. R. B. Hetherington.

Thos. Harrison — Proposed by Mr. W. Scott, seconded by Mr. R. T. Evans.

Mr. Harrison retired, leaving the contest between Messrs. Roddick, Clegg, and Scott.

COUNCILLORS.

The nominations for Councillors were as follows;

WARD NO. 1

R. Dobson—Proposed by Geo. Purvis. seconded by S. Rounthwaite.

R. Kinley—Proposed by T. Harrison, seconded by A. L. Sifton.

Chas. Stewart—Proposed by John Graham, seconded by Ebenezer Donaldson.

W. J. Scott—Proposed by R. Kinley, seconded by Henry Goodman.

WARD NO. 2.

R. T. Evans—Proposed by W. Matheson, seconded by E. Evans.

E. W. Low—Proposed by J. E. Woodworth, seconded by John McFadyen.

S. S. Philips—Proposed by W. D. Matheson, seconded by Geo. Halse.

WARD NO. 3.

C. Ffolliott—Proposed by A.L. Sifton, seconded by J. Webster.

E. S. D. Guston—Proposed by A. T. Spiers, seconded by W. Howatt.

James Irwin—Proposed by C. Whitehead, seconded by W. Winter.

Messrs. Ffolliott and Irwin retired, leaving Mr. Guston elected by acclamation.

WARD NO. 4.

James Thomson—Proposed by F. Chadsey, seconded by Robt. Dustan.

W. Hunter—Proposed by And. Evans. seconded by J. L. Gray.

WARD NO. 5.

J. C. Berry—Proposed by A. Nichol, seconded by R. B. Hetherington.

There being no opposition Mr. Berry was declared duly elected.

Report of speeches crowded out of this issue, but will appear to-morrow.

CHRISTMAS AT SOURIS CITY.

The morn was ushered in with sunshine and greetings. Every face bore the imprint of happiness and joy. At 10 a. m., three Indian chiefs and their fair damsels on toboggans passed down Church street, causing a slight consternation among the juveniles for a moment until they were made aware that it was only a lark of some of the citizens playing the role of the Indian. By noon a large number of sporting men from the surrounding country were assembled to take part in the shooting match, which was very keenly contested. In the evening a Christmas festival was held in the new and commodious school house, which was filled to overflowing. Rev. J. Hoskin occupied the chair to the entire satisfaction of all. The programme consisted of readings by Mr. Lent, teacher; Mr. Ballentine and Miss Scott. Quartette by Mr. and Mrs. Batty, Mrs. Barkwell and Rev. F. W. Hall; solo by Mrs. Barkwell; speech by Rev. T. W. Hall. Santa Claus then distributed the gifts from the Christmas tree, which was well laden. The donation for the Sunday-school amounted to $40.00. All this transpired on the ground which eight months ago was a howling wilderness; another proof of the rapid growth of our adopted land. TRAVELLER.

BRANDON LAND OFFICE.

A GOOD RECORD FOR THE YEAR.

Large Increase Over 1881.

The district attached to the Dominion Lands Office in Brandon takes in the country from Range 14 to the Second Meridian, and townships 5 to 10 inclusive. Until this year, the office had been at Milford, and under the management of Mr. Newcombe. Since its removal to Brandon Mr. Clementi Smith has been agent. Now that the year has closed, we have been favoured by him with the subjoined report of the work done in 1882:—

HOMESTEADS AND PRE-EMPTIONS.

	1881.	1882.	Inc.
Homesteads,	700	1,335	635
Pre-emptions,	430	775	345
No. of acres entered,	180,800	369,300	188,500

CANCELLATIONS.

Homesteads.	
No. of applications filed,	271
" contested,	70
" not contested,	201
" re-entered,	159
Pre-emptions	
No. of applications filed,	263
" contested,	66
" not contested,	197
" re-entered,	129
Total applications,	534
Total re-entries,	288

COMMUNICATIONS.

	1881	1882.	Inc
Total No. received,	780	1,829	1,049
" dispatched	550	1,400	850

CASH ACCOUNT.

Cash received during 1882 $40,037 06

of which $2,750 41 was received for improvements on cancelled homesteads, being an average for the year of about $20 per homestead, showing that in most cases cancellations had had been deserved.

Office disbursements including all expenses, $2,374 66

MISCELLANEOUS.

Homestead sales under sub-sec. 15, sec. 34 of the Dominion Lands Act, (requiring 12 months' residence)	27
Pre-emptions,	20
Homesteads recommended for free patents.	15
Pre-emptions recommended for free patents,	12
No. of Syndicate lots taken as homesteads prior to C. P. R. contract	286

The Pipestone district was the most favored by settlers during 1882.

It will then be seen that the transactions of the Brandon office during 1882 have been unusually large, in fact, one can hardly imagine how it was possible for the agent to get through with the work, considering that he had but one assistant, and nothing in the way of an office that we can dignify with the term. One cannot fail to notice the remarkable increase in immigration during 1882 as compared with that of 1881, the homestead entries being nearly double those of last year. The number of cancellations, too, have been unprecedented, leaving the impression on the minds of the uninitiated that all available lands for free entry had been taken up. We are glad to know that there are hundreds of thousands of acres of good land in this district still open for settlement. On examining the report we find that the money received for improvements on cancelled homesteads more than counterbalances the total disbursements of the office, the surplus amounting to several hundreds of dollars. We think it would be well to appropriate anything in the way of a surplus from this source to the erection of an office that would alike afford decent accommodation to Mr. Clementi-Smith and be more creditable to the city. Learning that the influx of immigrants in 1883 will probably largely exceed that of 1882 we hope that the Dominion Government will see their way clear to do something in this matter. This has been a year of long days for the agent, and it was only by making day out of night that he and his assistant have been able to accomplish what would have afforded sufficient employment to double the staff. Too much praise cannot be given to Mr. Clementi-Smith for the obliging manner in which he has attended to the public wants while laboring under such serious drawbacks.

CITY COUNCIL.

The Council met last evening in the Council Chamber, the Mayor in the chair. Present, Aldermen Winter, Winters, Evans, Pilling, Lockhart, Sifton and Bower. The minutes were declared correct and received the official signature.

COMMUNICATIONS.

A communication was received from Sir A. T. Galt, asking if the Council knew anything of Mr. John Cooper, who left the old country twelve months ago; also an extract of a letter from Mrs. Cooper, who said that the missing husband had a tatoo on his arm.

Ald. Pilling moved, seconded by Ald. Evans, that the chief of police be instructed to make enquiries into the matter.—Carried.

Also from the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, with reference to the appointment of Police Commissioners. Filed.

WATER SUPPLY

Ald. Pilling enquired whether the water peddled was taken from the river or from the city slough.

Chief of Police—Yes, it is taken from the slough.

The Mayor thought this was a very serious matter concerning the city health, and thought the chief of police should be instructed to attend to the matter. The chief of police was accordingly empowered to take action in the matter.

Communication also asking that T. Banbridge be refunded the amount of his license, $16 70. Carried.

From J. McKay, asking to have his license for livery and sale stable transferred to J. Davidson. Carried,

THE BRIDGES.

Moved by Ald. Winters, seconded by Ald Winter, that second reading of by-law relating to 1st and 18th street bridges be deferred for one week. Carried.

POLICE MAGISTRATE

Ald. Winter moved, seconded by Ald. Evans, that the council forward to the Lieut. Governor a recommendation that Mr. Thomas Lockhart be appointed magistrate. Carried.

On the motion of Ald Winters the Mayor then vacated the chair. Ald. Winter presiding. It was moved by Ald. Lockhart, seconded by Ald Sifton, that $400 be granted to the Mayor as an acknowledgment of his services. Unanimously carried.

Before resuming the chair the Mayor said that he must most heartily thank the council for their gift; he was not a Vanderbilt nor a Gould, and it would prove most acceptable. While presiding over them he had only tried to do his duty, and was glad that his efforts had been appreciated. As long as he lived he would remember the six months passed. All the council had got along harmoniously and the re-election of the old members who offered themselves was an evidence that their work was appreciated; he hoped the council of 1883 would carry out the good work begun.

On motion of Ald Sifton, Mr. Wheeldon was allowed to address the council.

Mr. Wheeldon said that he was peddling water procured at the back of the mill, and not from any slough, and that it was quite clear of filth.

Ald. Pilling thought that the water only appeared good because there was no current now, and the water was standing, but that when not frozen over it would be unfit for use.

This being the final session of the Council of 1882, the Mayor on leaving the chair said that if the board of 1883 would do their duty as faithfully as that of 1882, Brandon would continue to make the same rapid progress which characterized it during the closing year. Judging from the calibre of the incoming board, he was sure they would; he would ask them to carry out the idea of the retiring board, more especially in the matter of public works. There was only one duty remaining for him, to put his name to the debentures, and he hoped the city would be as successful as the county in floating them; he would be glad during the coming year to give any help in his power.

Ald. Pilling referring to the manner in which the retiring Mayor had filled the chair said that he was sure that the Mayor elect would perform his duties with the same satisfaction.

Ald. Lockhart said that as a retiring member, he had to thank the Council for their resolution in reference to himself, also for the cordiality displayed to him while on the board, if ever he should act in the same capacity again he could only hope to meet with the same.

The Council then adjourned.

MUNICIPAL NOMINATIONS.

What the Candidates had to Say for Themselves.

None of them Want the Position Their Friends forced them out.

An Extremely Modest but Worthy Gang.

After the nominations were over yesterday, Mayor elect of Brandon, (W. Winter, Esq., was called to the chair. He first called on Mr. Geo. Roddick, the retiring warden.

Mr. Roddick, on coming forward, said that the people had been pleased to repose confidence in him in 1882, that he felt that as one of the oldest settlers in the county, it was his duty to come forward and assist to advance its interests so far as he could. Personally he had no desire to come forward, but he had done so at the solicitation of his friends. He appeared before them now to give an account of his stewardship, and had every confidence that it would meet with their approval. He had every confidence in the men who sat at the board with him, and thought that their work spoke for them. While at first he had no intention of coming forward again, yet he had consented to do so, and had sent a communication to that effect to the SUN, but it had not been published, and he had had no explanation of it. If again elected he would do as he had done in the past, use all his influence for the county interests, if not, he was quite willing to step down.

Mr. Clegg was next called on. He said that coming forward now he was in an embarrassing position, not having held before a position in municipal matters here. While not blaming the old Council, yet he thought that they had been dilatory in the performance of a great part of their work, partly through inexperience. He came out now at the solicitation of his friends. He had experience in municipal matters in eastern counties, and if elected, would do all in his power to manage the county affairs with due economy. He thought that some works unnecessary this year, had been done, thereby making heavy taxes, which came hard on some who were only settling this year. He referred also to the fact that there were two councillors in No. 1 ward and only one in all the others. Concluding he said "If the people thought fit to elect him he would do his best to serve them.

Mr. Scott then addressed those present. He said that the last speaker would not make any charges against the Council only making insinuations as in the case of No 1 Ward. In the last matter it was nothing but right, as Ward No. 1 would now have double the population it had when the councillors were first elected. He thought the council had done all for the best. Nobody could foresee what was best, and we had to take things as they came. Referring to bridges he stated that of the bridges built during this year, the Government had agreed to bear one-third of the cost. He felt that as one who had large interests in the county he would likely, as warden, to make every effort to advance the county interests and thereby his own.

Mr. Harrison said he did not come forward as a candidate but simply to justify his action in Council. Referring to taxes, he sympathized with those who were unable to pay this year, but next year the burden would not be so great. The taxation was unavoidable. He agreed with Mr. Scott as the representation in Ward No. 1, and no blame could be attached to them in the matter. He also defended the appointment of Mr. Taylor as commissioner, and thought was a man of experience, and had only received a trifle by way of compensation. He thought that they should take credit to themselves for the way in which they had floated the debentures, namely, at 96 on the dollar. at per cent. He begged to withdraw from the contest.

Mr. H. Lamont said he had proposed Mr. Roddick. He had watched his action in the Council, and had been satisfied, and had pressed him to come out again.

Mr. Whitehead was loudly called for, and on rising said that he took exception to the action of the council in the matter of bridges. He thought the bridge at Doran's was a disgrace to the county. It has not been constructed on the road allowance, and he would like to know who was responsible for this, and would like to know who was going to pay the cost of its removal. He had no personal objections to Mr. Roddick, but they wanted a man of experience such as he knew Mr. Clegg to be. He also thought that their cast account should have been published, as without it the people were ignorant of what was going on. In the matter of the grant of one-third the bridge expense, Mr. Scott took credit to himself, but the proper person to attend to this was the local member, Mr. Sifton. He would ask Mr. Sifton about this matter.

Mr. E. W. Low briefly stated that he had supported Mr. Roddick, having confidence in him that he would work to the best interests of the county.

Mr. R. T. Evans briefly defended the action of the Council. Referring to Ward No. 1, he said no blame could be attached to the Council in the matter, and that he thought every elector would be satisfied. He had been most constant in his attendance at Council meetings.

Mr. Sifton being loudly called upon stated that as local member, he had used all his influence with the Minister of Public Works to secure the grant, he had several interviews with him on this matter, and was happy to state that the Government had made the concession required.

Mr. Scott agreed that the credit was principally due to Mr. Sifton.

An opportunity was then given to the above-named gentlemen to reply. Most of them did so briefly, and reiterated their statements above, and defending the action of the Council.

After the close of the meeting Mr. Sifton announced that he had arranged for meetings throughout the county, and cordially invited the opposing candidate to be present.

REV. John McDougall, Methodist Missionary at the Rockies, passed through on his way east. He reports no sleighing in the Bow and Red Deer River countries when he left.

SOCIAL ENTERTAINMENT.

Those unfortunate citizens who are continually taken up with business and its attendant cares and anxieties, and who have not the opportunity of driving out into the country, can best appreciate the delights and care-destroying effects of a drive of several miles over the prairie, with all the accompaniments of a bright moon, good rigs and good company. Several sleigh loads of some of our best known citizens enjoyed such a pleasure in going out to the social in the Peacock settlement about eight miles south-west from Brandon. The social was held in the large country residence of J. D. McBurnie, Esq., of this city, and, owing to the large rooms in the house and the number of them, afforded every accommodation to the large number of friends who gathered to enjoy themselves.

Tea was served in two or three of the rooms, and what a tea! What piles of cakes, of sandwiches, of pies! and tea with real cream. The Brandon delegation fairly startled the country friends by the way they got rid of the good things, for pies and cakes melted away as the snow in a June sun.

After tea, the Hon. Mr. Sifton took the chair and opened the meeting by congratulating the audience on the number present and the hearty manner in which all united to advance a good cause, irrespective of denominational differences. The Rev. Mr. Ferries and Mr. G. B. Angus gave addresses; Mr. Folliett, Mr. Angus, and other gentlemen gave readings, and the Messrs. and Miss Mitchell, Miss Struthers, Miss Lowes, Mr. Brown and the choir provided the musical part of the entertainment to the delight of the audience. Near the close of the meeting a grand four story cake was brought forward and three young ladies nominated to cut it. The contest was a close and most exciting one, and was only won by Miss Lowes by a few votes, the other contestants, Miss Peacock and Miss Struthers being close up. Mr. A. C. Fraser auctioned off the top storeys of the cake and realized seventeen dollars more, a total sum out of the cake of about $48. The social then came to an end with a general handshaking. The total proceeds of the social are expected to be about $200, which is certainly a creditable sum and speaks well for the settlers of that district.

Mr. Peacock, Miss Peacock, Mr. Hunter and several other friends deserve particular mention for their attention to the wants of those present.

After a glorious drive back to the city, which was reached about 12 M., the citizens separated, the Assessor saying "You bet your life we had grand time."

LITERARY ASSOCIATION.—We are pleased to be able to advise our readers that the Literary Association in the C. M. Church is to hold the first regular meeting on Friday evening next, when a good programme will be submitted.—It is desired to get as large a membership as possible, that the greatest possible number may be profited and interested. We are sure that there will be no questions asked as to one's politics or religion, when admission to membership is granted. We commend the discretion of the organizers in giving the ladies a foremost position in the affair. Doubtless there will be a good attendance on Friday night.

BIRTH

At Brandon, on 26th Dec. inst., the wife of L. M. Fortier of a son. (Winnipeg and Ottawa papers please copy.)

MARRIED.

BROWN—MAYWOOD—In the city this A.M. by Rev. W. Bridgman, at the residence of the bride's father, Alex. Maywood, 2nd St., Mr. Wm. Brown, of Norquay, to Martha Anne Maywood.

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BRANDON ELECTION!

List of Meetings to be Addressed by MR. SIFTON, the "Provincial Rights" Candidate.

Friday, Dec. 29th, Milford,......2 p. m.
Saturday, Dec. 30th, Souris City..7 p.m
Monday, New Year, Rounthwaite..2 p.m.
Tuesday, Jan. 2nd, Carberry...7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, Jan. 3rd, Petrel.......2 p.m.
" " Oberon...7:30 p.m.
Friday, Jan. 5th, Moody's neighborhood....................2 p.m.
Saturday, Jan. 6th, Lothair P.O..2 p.m.
Monday, Jan. 8th, Griswold.......2 p.m.
Tuesday, Jan. 9th, Oak Lake....2 p.m.
Wednesday, Jan. 10th, Virden...2 p.m.
Monday, Jan. 15th, Peacock's Tp. 9, R. 20.......................2 p.m.
Tuesday, Jan. 16th, Brandon......
Wednesday, Jan. 17th, Eureka...2 p.m.
Thursday, Jan. 18th, Plum Creek..2 p.m.
Friday, Jan. 19th, Chater...........2 p.m.

Mr. Woodworth is invited to the above meetings.

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BRANDON'S CHRISTMAS.

A BEAUTIFUL DAY.

Thoroughly Enjoyed.

Yesterday was a superb day, and the citizens of Brandon could scarcely do otherwise than experience a right merry Christmas. The temperature was mild enough to permit of out-door recreations without the slightest discomfort, and as a consequence the streets were thronged from morning till night with happy sleighing parties determined to enjoy themselves.

St. Matthew's.

St. Matthew's was the only church in which there was any morning service There was a large attendance. The Rector preached an appropriate and excellent sermon from John 1st and 14, "And the Word was made flesh." The collection was the Christmas gift of the congregation to the rev. gentleman, and was by no means an unsubstantial one. During the week the covering of the vestry window had been taken down, and Mr. Granville generously presents exposed to the view of the congregation on Sunday morning. It is a representation of the Crucifixion with an appropriate Scriptural text on either side. The imprint, "A.D. 1882," sadly mars the effect. The colouring is much too subdued for the character of the work, however perfect it may be from a purely artistic point of view. The design however, is excellent, and is otherwise most creditably executed. The church was tastefully decorated with evergreens for the service yesterday morning.

The Methodist Church.

To say that the efforts of the officers, teachers and all concerned in the Christmas entertainment in the Methodist Church were crowned with success would but express the reality in the feeblest manner. The success was unbounded, and enjoyment and unbounded satisfaction was depicted on the scores of happy countenances visible in all parts of the building, which was filled to overflowing. Considerable time and pains had been spent on the decorations, and the result was most satisfactory. Bunting graced the ceiling, the walls, and the chandeliers, while the side-lights were encircled with wreaths of evergreen, and on the northern wall in illuminated characters were the words, "Glory to God in the Highest." The platform was, however, the point of attraction. On either side of a long row of wax tapers were two mammoth Christmas trees, of the orthodox evergreen, reaching from the floor to the ceiling, laden with presents of every description, from a wicker rattle to an Astrachan jacket. There could not have been less than five hundred dollars worth of gifts displayed. The eyes of the children never twinkled so brightly or gazed so longingly as they did upon the treat in store.

The first part of the evening was devoted to the programme by the school. The Superintendent, Mr. J. C. Robinson acted as chairman, and filled the position in a decidedly creditable manner. "The Light of the World" was rendered by the children very creditably to themselves and Mr. Cooper, to whom very properly was entrusted the task of training them. Katie Lee, Nellie Brownlee, Estella Brownlee and May Hilliard, in their Christmas Carol, showed a degree of talent seldom found in ones so young. "On a Christmas Morning," by Bessie Lee and Minnie Phippen, was pronounced good by the unanimous assent. Lillie Brock's recitation, "The Methodist Way," was received with applause, not only on account of the humor of the subject, but the pleasing and taking manner in which it was performed. Keep on, Lillie, you did well. Bessie Hannam showed a knowledge of music beyond her years, in her rendering of "Chick-a-dee." Mabel Hendrick, another little six-year-old, was mounted on the table, and recited "Little Golden Hair" very nicely. "Larboard Watch" brought from the Messrs. Craig a cornet duet, which added no small amount of interest to the evening's entertainment.—Dora Rowe recited, "The Mother's Prayer," and did it in a manner that did the subject the fullest justice. The chorus, "Wondrous Story," by Misses Parrish and Miss Phippen, and Messrs. Wallace, Wallace, Wallace and Cooper, was very appropriate and well rendered Mrs. Bastedo in "While the Swallows Homeward Fly" sustained her reputation as one of the best vocalists in the city. "All about two dolls," by Sarah Bowlton and Bessie Hannam, caused considerable merriment. "Red, White and Blue" was given in good style by Lillie Brownlee, Katie Lee and Bertha Parrish, and called from the audience a hearty response in the choruses. "Willie and Annie's Prayer," a pleasing and touching reading, in Mr. Cooper's best style, had full justice given it. "Two Merry Girls," by Misses Parrish, called forth an encore—well deserved.

At different parts of the programme messages were received from Santa Claus. One from London, another from Detroit, another from Chicago, Winnipeg, Chater and Grand Valley. At nine o'clock, the old gentleman put in an appearance, and was received with cheers by the youngsters. He at once commenced work on the trees, and right and left were the presents distributed. The candidates for parliamentary honors were not forgotten, received a good variety each, while a number of those present were made happy by the reception of such handsome gifts as wicker rattles, old shoes, pickens, &c. Messrs. A. M. Peterson, D. A. Reesor, Sutherland, A. L. Phippen, A. L. Cameron, a Sun representative, and others in the audience, being among the number so made joyous.

Gifts of a costly character were made by friends, by wives to husbands, husbands to wives, fathers to daughters, mothers to sons, teachers to scholars, *vice versa*, and so on. Among the principal presents was an Astrachan jacket, costing $45, given by the congregation to Mrs. Lawson; a pair of Persian Lamb gauntlets, by the school, to Mr. Cooper, who held the position of Santa Claus; a toilet case, by the trustees, to Miss Phippen, who has rendered willing and faithful service as organist for some months past, and a purse each, containing about $25, to Messrs. Bridgman and Williams. Among the teachers, Mrs. Lee, Miss Templeton, Miss Elliott, and Miss Hilliard, and Messrs. Hilliard and Winter, were not forgotten. On the whole the entertainment was highly successful. Over one hundred dollars were realized, fifty of which were expended in presents.

At the Presbyterian Church.

A season of joy and gladness to all alike, Christmas is eagerly looked forward to, more especially however by the little folk, associated as it is in their minds with Santa Claus and the never failing store of accompanying gifts. The Christmas tree, too, bending under the burdens so dear to little eyes [illegible] long day long [illegible] cherished [illegible]

assisted; evergreens were arranged throughout the building in great profusion, and conspicuous on the wall behind the pulpit was the motto, "Alleluia unto us a child is born." In the centre of the church, the object of all eyes, were the Xmas trees, three in number, fairly bending under their load.

Before the distribution of gifts a short entertainment in the way of singing and recitation was provided. the following was the programme: song, "Pull for the Shore," the choir of children; recitation, "The minister's sweetheart," Tommy Burns, who did very well; dialogue, "The dead doll," little Misses Crosby and Ferries, very pathetic; recitation, "The battle of Waterloo," J. Fleming, very good considering the elocutionary power required for such a piece; Lena Beggs then gave a recitation, "Pretty Dick," and Birdie Miller recited a piece with a moral, "Prayer and Potatoes." Mr. Collier sang, by request, "The Village Blacksmith," and Mr. Lamont brought down the house in his reading "An orator's first speech in Parliament"; next came a recitation "The warbler," by Jane Matheson, followed by a song "A Farmer's boy," by the little Misses McFavish; the concert closed with a recitation by Minnie Anderson, "The Last Hymn," very nicely done. After the close of the concert an unusual commotion was observed in a tent on the left side of the platform and a personage appeared who announced himself as Santa Claus, and who had stores of gifts for all the little ones and many of the big ones too. It would be impossible to enumerate all the gifts received by the children present, it is enough to say that they were very good, consisting principally of books, etc., for the larger children and dolls and other toys for the smaller ones. Below is a list of the grown up people whom Santa Claus favored, with the character of the gift when ascertainable: Rev. J. Ferries, smoking cap; Mrs. Ferries, muff; Miss Ferries, hair brush; Miss M. A. Ferries, lace collar and book; Dr. Fleming, ink stand; Mrs. Fleming, —; Miss Byden, lace collar and handkerchief; Mrs. Thomas Lockhart, silver card receiver, spoon holder and a handsome picture; Miss Lockhart, white silk handkerchief; Mr J M Robinson, Xmas box in shape of an old hat in earthenware; Mrs. J. M. Robinson, a musical case; Mr. Wright, a necktie; Mr. H. Ross, a silk handkerchief; Mrs Ross, a beautiful album; Miss Buchanan, a handsome picture; Mr. Barr, an inkstand and pipe, a lecture from Santa Claus attached to latter; Mr. Bowerman, a comb with an allusion; Mr. Farr, a necktie; A L McMillan, a silk handkerchief; Geo M

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To the Electors
OF THE
ELECTORAL DIVISION
OF
BRANDON

GENTLEMEN,—

After the lapse of one short year I am again before you as a candidate for your suffrages.

Before the last election I did not deem it necessary to enter into a discussion of the public questions of the day in the short address which I had the honour of issuing to you, because the time at my disposal enabled me to meet personally with a large number of you and discuss those subjects in your presence, on this occasion, however, such a course is impossible. The rapid increase of population in our noble country has increased fourfold the labour of canvassing my constituents, while the inexcusable dilatoriousness and hesitation of the Administration in delaying to publish the proclamation in dissolving the House of Assembly have frittered and wasted the already too limited period which might otherwise have been devoted to ascertaining your opinions upon the aspect of public affairs.

It is therefore necessary that I should define my position. I ask your suffrages, first, because I have been faithful to your interests. When elected to represent you I did not give many pledges. I said that to the best of my ability, and even to the prejudice of my business interests, I should endeavor to serve my constituents without regard to their political bias or complexion. Let those who have placed their affairs in my hands, and who have come to me for advice and assistance, say whether or not I have redeemed that pledge. I said that in all my actions as a member of the Legislature of Manitoba, the welfare of the County of Brandon and of the Province of Manitoba should stand foremost. Let those who have watched my public course say whether or not I have redeemed that pledge.

I am opposed by a gentleman with whom, personally, I have always been on the best terms, who takes no exception to my course as your representative. He does not presume to assert that I have neglected any interest, or that I have betrayed any trust. He does not call in question any act which I have performed in my legislative capacity. He asks for your support, and he can only ask for your support on this broad ground, namely, that he considers the policy pursued by the Opposition in the late House to be contrary to your interests.

What is the policy?

Glance at the journals of your Assembly and you will find that the opposition offered by my colleagues and myself to the present Local Government clusters mainly around three subjects:—Public Lands, Provincial Subsidy and Railway Legislation. On these three subjects the respective policies of the Government and of the Opposition radically differ. And, gentlemen, let me say that I most emphatically endorse the policy of the Opposition, and as emphatically condemn the policy of the Government in respect of these subjects. It is unnecessary that I should reiterate what the public journals have so often told you. For the insignificant sum of forty five thousand dollars per annum the Government surrendered our rights to the public domain, the possession of which is worth at least three quarters of a million annually. As a result of its supine acquiescence we are bereft of that free right to charter railroads and tramways, and add to our transportation facilities, which are so thoroughly enjoyed and so effectually carried into operation by our sister provinces. By its humiliating subserviency to the Dominion authorities, as well under the *regime* of Mr. Mackenzie as Sir John Macdonald, this noble Province finds itself unable to construct public works of the most essential character, unable to develope its grand natural resources, unable to establish a proper system of education, unable in every respect to take a material and intellectual position worthy of its natural advantages, and of the progressive and spirited character of its people. I claim for the band of men, of whom I am one, the credit of having raised the standard of opposition against such an unworthy course, and I claim for them the intention, and the present [illegible] to grasp the helm of the ship of [illegible] with a stronger and surer hand. I [illegible] that the Premier, in his address a few days since, has [illegible] to divert public attention [illegible] record, and persuade [illegible]

his course, and I indict him and his colleagues before the electors of this county, with the crimes of political dishonesty, public cowardice, faithlessness to their friends, and wilful disregard of the interests of their country. What hope then, that at the eleventh hour he will, will radically reform his principles of action? I answer, none, yet it is because I have opposed and do oppose those principles, whether concealed, as in the Premier's address, or openly displayed, as in my opponent's platform that I am opposed by the latter.

I have cast in my lot with you in this new land, and I have unswerving faith in its capabilities, but after the most careful thought, unbiassed by considerations of party allegiance, I have been, and am still, unable to see how prosperity can reward our toil unless the avowed policy of the Dominion Government in reference to the disallowance of railway charters, acquiesced in by the Local Government is totally reversed. To such a reversal my opponent is determinedly opposed, in fact, he declares himself to be an adherent of the disallowance policy, and this policy if elected, he will use his utmost endeavour to sustain.

Our Provincial rights can never be obtained, until the seals of office are held by men of tried temper, sound judgment, and unfailing courage, and I ask your suffrages that I may be enabled to assist in placing such men in power. I was unwilling to engage in this contest, not from any fear as to the result, but from considerations of a private nature, and it is only in response to the almost unanimous voice of the intelligence and spirit of the county, that I again offer my services. I appeal for support, not to your feelings of partisan loyalty, nor to your past political traditions, but rather to the nobler sentiments of your nature, the desire to enjoy happy and prosperous homes, and your pride in the progress of this beautiful country. I do so, gentlemen, with the full assurance that the answer to my appeal will be heard far from the scattered settlements where these words are read, and will make itself felt in more powerful councils than the assembly in which I have the honor to represent you.

I remain,
Gentlemen
Your obodient servant,
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